THE BOMBAY MINISTERS' SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES ACT, 1952.

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BOMBAY ACT No. VII OF 1952.[1]

[THE BOMBAY MINISTERS' SALARIES AND ALLOWANCES ACT, 1952.]

[*10th May 1952.*]

An Act to provide for the salaries and allowances of the Ministers of the Government of Bombay and certain other matters.

WHEREAS it is expedient to provide for the determination of the salaries and allowances of the Ministers of the Government of Bombay and other matters as hereinafter specified ; It is hereby enacted as follows :—

Short title and commencement.

1. (*1*) This Act may be called the Bombay Ministers' Salaries and Allowances Act, 1952.

(*2*) It shall be deemed to have come into force on and from the 21st day of April 1952.

Definitions.

2. In this Act, unless there is anything repugnant in the subject or context,—

(*a*) " Minister " and " Deputy Minister " mean respectively Minister and Deputy Minister of the Government of Bombay and " Minister " includes the Chief Minister ;

(*b*) " residence " includes the staff quarters and other buildings appurtenant thereto and the gardens thereof ;

(*c*) " maintenance " in relation to a residence includes the payment of rates and taxes due to Government or any local authority and the provision of electricity, gas and water ;

(*d*) " rules or orders " means rules or orders respectively made under this Act.

Salaries of Ministers.

3. There shall be paid to each Minister a salary of Rs. 1,100 per month.

Residences of Ministers.

4. (*1*) Each Minister shall be entitled, without payment of rent, to the use of—

(*a*) a furnished residence in Bombay throughout his term of office and for a period of fifteen days immediately thereafter, or in lieu of such residence a house allowance at the rate of Rs. 250 per month, and

(*b*) a furnished residence at such other place as the State Government may from time to time for the purposes of this Act declare to be the head quarters of Government and for such period as may be specified in such declaration, or in lieu of such residence a house allowance at the rate of Rs. 250 per month.

(*2*) No charge shall fall on the Minister personally in respect of the maintenance of any residence provided under this section.

(*3*) The expenditure on furnishing the residences provided under this section shall be on such scales as the State Government may by rules or orders determine.

[1] For Statement of Objects and Reasons, *see Bombay Government Gazette*, 1952, Part V, p. 29.

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Conveyances for Ministers.

5. (*1*) The State Government may, from time to time, for the use of the Ministers purchase and provide motor cars and other suitable conveyances, upon such conditions as regards their maintenance and repairs as may be determined by rules or orders made in this behalf.

(*2*) There shall also be paid to each Minister a conveyance allowance at the rate of Rs. 250 per month.

Salaries of Deputy Ministers.

6. There shall be paid to each Deputy Minister a salary of Rs. 750 per month.

Residences of Deputy Ministers.

7. (*1*) Each Deputy Minister shall be entitled, without payment of rent, to the use of—

(*a*) a furnished residence in Bombay throughout his term of office and for a period of fifteen days immediately thereafter, or in lieu of such residence a house allowance at the rate of Rs. 150 per month, and

(*b*) a furnished residence at such other place as the State Government may from time to time for the purposes of this Act declare to be the head quarters of Government and for such period as may be specified in such declaration, or in lieu of such residence a house allowance at the rate of Rs. 150 per month.

(*2*) No charge shall fall on the Deputy Minister personally in respect of the maintenance of any residence provided under this section.

(*3*) The expenditure on furnishing the residences provided under this section shall be on such scales as the State Government may by rules or orders determine.

Conveyance allowance for Deputy Ministers.

8. There shall be paid to each Deputy Minister a conveyance allowance at the rate of Rs. 200 per month.

Travelling and daily allowances.

9. The Ministers and Deputy Ministers shall be entitled to travelling and daily allowances while touring on public business at such rates and upon such conditions as may be prescribed by rules or orders made by the State Government.

Medical attendance.

10. Subject to rules or orders made by the State Government, a Minister and a Deputy Minister and the members of the family of the Minister or the Deputy Minister, as the case may be, who are residing with and dependent on him, shall be entitled free of charge, to accommodation in hospitals maintained by the State Government and to medical attendance and treatment.

Explanation.—For the purposes of this section " a member of the family " means the husband, wife, son, daughter, father, mother, brother or sister.

Sumptuary allowance to Chief Minister.

11. There shall be placed at the disposal of the Chief Minister a sum of Rs. 9,000 per year as sumptuary allowance.

Ministers and Deputy Ministers not entitled to salaries and allowances as members of State Legislature.

12. Notwithstanding anything contained in the Bombay Legislature Members' Daily Allowance Act, 1950, or the Bombay Legislature Members' Travelling Allowance Act, 1950, or any law for the time being in force determining the salaries and allowances of the members of the State Legislature, a Minister or a Deputy Minister shall not be entitled to receive any salary or allowances under such law, although he is a member of the Bombay Legislative Assembly or the Bombay Legislative Council.

Bom. XXI of 1950. Bom. XLV of 1950.

Deputy Ministers not disqualified.

13. For the avoidance of doubt, it is hereby declared that a person shall not be disqualified for being chosen as, or for being, a member of the Bombay Legislative Assembly or the Bombay Legislative Council merely by reason of the fact that he holds the office of a Deputy Minister.

Power of State Government to make rules and orders.

14. (*1*) The State Government may make rules or orders for the purposes of this Act.

(*2*) Rules or orders made under this Act shall have effect as if enacted in this Act.

Repeal.

Bom. IV of 1937.

15. The Bombay Ministers' Salaries Act, 1937, is hereby repealed.